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**MAJOR APPLICATION SYSTEM**  
**System Name and ID #**

**I. SYSTEM IDENTIFICATION**

**I. A. Responsible Organization**

U. S. Department of Agriculture  
Agricultural Research Service

**I. B. System Name/Title**

**Name:**

**ID#:**

**I. C. System Category**

Major Application

**I. D. System Operational Status**

Operational

**I. E. General Description/Purpose**

**Web Page(s)**

**Level of Public Access**

**I. F. System Environment and Special Considerations**

**System Computing Platform**

**Name and Type of Firewall**

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### **I. G. System Interconnection/Information Sharing**

### **I. H. Information Contact(s)**

## **II. SENSITIVITY OF INFORMATION HANDLED**

### **II. A. Applicable Laws or Regulations Affecting the System**

Public Law 100-235, Computer Security Act of 1987

OMB Circular A-130, Appendix III, Security of Federal Automated Information Resources

OMB Circular A-123, Internal Control Systems

\*Privacy Act of 1974, Public Law 93-579 (***Remove if not applicable***)

Executive Order 13103, Computer Software Policy, October 1, 1998

Presidential Decision Directive 63, Critical Infrastructure Protection

USDA Departmental Regulation (DR) 3140-001, Information Systems Security Policy

USDA DR 3140-002, Internet Security Policy

USDA DR 3230-002, Disposition of Excess ADP Equipment

USDA DR 3300-1, Telecommunications and Internet Services and Use Memorandum Dated  
March 8, 1999, Interim Department Computer Incident Reporting Procedures

\*USDA DR 3450-001, Computer Matching Projects Involving Individual Privacy Data (***Remove  
if not applicable***)

USDA Notice 3140-, USDA Firewall Program Policy (FPP)

ARS P&P 253.3

ARS Information Systems Security Program

### **II. B. General Description of Sensitivity**

**Confidentiality**

**Integrity**

**Availability**

## **III. SYSTEM SECURITY MEASURES**

### **III. A. Risk Assessment and Management**

**Status:**

**In Place Date:**

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**Planned Date:**

### **III. B. Review of Security Controls**

**Status:**           **In Place and Planned**

**In Place Date:**

**Planned Date:**

An independent management review of the security needs and in-placed and planned security controls for this system was conducted by a consultant firm, "Security for Information Technology, Ltd." in \_\_\_\_\_, 2000. The management review included ensuring that the system security plan was prepared in the standard ARS security plan format, that the plan contained adequate and appropriate information about the mission requirements of the system, the technical system components, the protection requirements for confidentiality, integrity and availability and the controls in place and planned for the system and its compliance with Federal, USDA and ARS Laws, Regulations and policies. Based on this management review a detailed report containing recommendations for additional information and other security plan changes and improvements in actual system controls was provided to the System Owner and ARS Management. This review was consistent with the requirements of OMB A-130, Appendix III for independent management reviews.

These types of reviews are performed by organizations independent of the system owner. Although, A-130, Appendix III requires an independent review every three years, it is outside the area of responsibility and control of this system management and a planned date cannot be estimated at this time for a follow-on review.

### **III. C. Applicable Guidance**

USDA Departmental Manual (DM) 3140-1.1 through 1.8, ADP Security Manual  
USDA Agency Information Security Policy Compliance Self-Assessment Tool, Guidelines and Checklist  
Critical Infrastructure Assurance Office, Practices for Securing Critical Information Assets, January 2000

### **III. D. Rules**

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**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E. SECURITY CONTROL MEASURES**

**III.E.1. Management Controls**

**III.E.1.a. Assignment of Security Responsibility**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.1.b. Personnel Security**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.2. Development/Implementation Controls**

**III.E.2.a. Authorize Processing**

**Certification:**

**Status:**

**In Place Date:**

**Planned Date:**

**Certifying Official**

**Accreditation:**

**Status:**

**In Place Date:**

**Planned Date:**

**Accrediting Official:**

**III.E.2.b. Security Specifications**

**Status:**

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**III.E.2.c. Design Review and Testing**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.3. OPERATIONAL CONTROLS**

**III.E.3.a. Physical and Environmental Protection**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.3.b. Production, Input/Output Controls**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.3.c. Contingency Planning**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.3.d. Audit and Variance Detection**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.3.e. Application Software Maintenance Controls**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.3.f. Documentation**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.4. SECURITY AWARENESS AND TRAINING**

**III.E.4.a. Security Awareness and Training Measures**

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**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

### **III.E.5. TECHNICAL CONTROLS**

#### **III.E.5.a. User Identification and Authentication**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

#### **III.E.5.b. Authorization/Access Controls**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**Logical Access Controls**

**Dial -In Access**

**Wide Area Networks**

**Screen Warning Banners**

#### **III.E.5.c. Public Access Control**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

#### **III.E.5.d. Data Integrity/Validation Controls**

**Status:**

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**Malicious Programs/Virus Protection**

**Message Authentication**

**Integrity Verification**

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**Reconciliation**

**Digital Signatures**

**III.E.5.d. Audit Trail Mechanisms**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.5.e. Confidentiality Controls**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.5.f. Incident Response Capability**

**Status:**

**Planned Date:**

**III.E.6. Complementary Controls Provided By Support Systems**

**IV. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS**